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Coatesville VA Medical Center Celebrates Doctors' Day

Coatesville, PA – April 1st, 2009 – Medical center leadership, doctors and other employees gathered Monday for a special luncheon to recognize Doctors' Day. Each year, on March 30th, the Nation and CVAMC recognize the vital, life-saving work of doctors.

The event began with a delicious buffet lunch provided by Veterans Canteen Service. Next, medical center director, Gary W. Devansky, addressed the group, "I'd like to thank each and every one of you for your service to our Nation's Veterans. Your work is truly exemplary." Following this, chief of staff, Dr. Jim Tischler, recognized individuals and groups of doctors for the contributions they've made over the last year.

There were leadership, achievement, dedication and excellence awards given to CVAMC doctors. The doctors in the included picture were recognized for their individual roles as Preceptors of Delaware State Psychiatry Residents. From left to right: Dr. Sheila Chellappa, Dr. Jim Tischler (award presenter), Dr. Ketki Mehta, Dr. Lisette Cooper, Dr. Tanveer Qureshi, and Dr. Aarati Yelamanchili. Not pictured, but also an award recipient, is Dr. Dennis Iaccarino.

About the Coatesville Veterans Affairs Medical Center

Coatesville Veterans Affairs Medical Center is an integrated health care system dedicated to providing the best in care and services to our Veterans. CVAMC offers mental health care, primary care, geriatrics and extended care, specialty and women's health care, and pharmacy and social work services to both inpatients and outpatients. CVAMC operates community based outpatient clinics in Springfield and Spring City, PA. The medical center serves Veterans in 53 counties in Pennsylvania, Maryland and Delaware. For more information, visit www.coatesville.va.gov or call 610-384-7711 or 1-800-290-6172.

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